

Odd Fellows Cemetery Gate
East side of Route 13, approximately .2 mile
north of junction with Route 12
Smyrna
Kent County
Delaware

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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE Delaware		COUNTY Kent	TOWN OR VICINITY Smyrna
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Odd Fellows Cemetery Gate			HABS NO. DE-237
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE			
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) East side of Route 13, approximately .2 mile north of junction with Route 12			
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1864 (Smyrna Odd Fellows Organization)		ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Unknown	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) The Odd Fellows Cemetery Gate in Smyrna is believed to be the last surviving Odd Fellows cemetery gate on the east coast.			
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)			
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Wood frame			
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE)			
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE The gate consists of a semicircular arch springing from chamfered posts, abutting wings at the height of the posts, and swinging gates which are constructed of chamfered verticals set in a frame with a curved upper profile. A sawn wood decorative piece is mounted on top of the arch and an over-size, three-link chain hangs from the center of the underside.			
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED)			
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES The gate was restored to its original appearance in 1983-84.			
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Excellent condition; gate			
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE			
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.)			
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